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MEMO TO:

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Bruce D. Carter BPC

I've made a cursory review of the soils investigation prepared for Excel Corporation (April 4, 1983). I have the following comments and recommendations:

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